

Please don't make June 2, 2003, another day of infamy, by approving the findings of the Media Ownership Working Group. Sounds as if the members of this Task Force, consisted of the Owners of the Media, which should be considered a Conflict of Interest. The only people that would benefit from implementing this "Wholesale Rape of the American People," would be the people that already control too much of the things that the American Public can SEE, HEAR, and READ. It would in fact create an EMPIRICAL destruction of the FREE PRESS, as only the SUPER Wealthy would have access to any of the MEDIA, covered by this Proposed change in Ownership Rules. The othe Goals stated in your Task Statement, Competition, there would be less Competition as there would be fewer Owners. There would be less diversity as there would be fewer voices heard in the MEDIA. How can Localism be promoted, when the owners are sometimes thousnads of miles from the Local Market? As the old saying goes, the Govenment closest to the People, are the ones that Govern the Best. This is in fact true of Local Ownership of the Media, wouldn't you agree?

Remember, June 2, 2003, will become a day of Infamy if this change in Policy is implemented.

Thank You.

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